

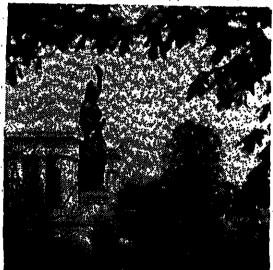
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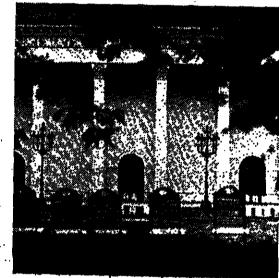
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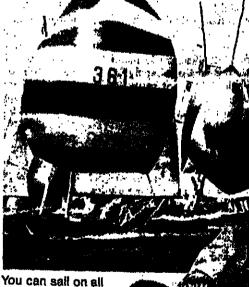
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Nato conference links MBFR with Berlin talks

Nato's primary dimension as a military organisation won it friends as from the military and technological point of days. For the one group it was exclusively defence organisation aiming to preserve the equilibrium between the military

For the other group the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation was a capitalist instrument of aggression under the aegis of the United States.

The closer the Alliance came to maturity

the greater its discrimination became. We can only guess at how much effect universal criticism of the consequences and costs of this system of threats had in bringing about the changes that came.

At any rate Nato no longer put all its began to move into a second dimension, the political dimension of conciliation

This struck the opponents of Nato of the organisation's protagonists greatly.

One West German Lexikon der Politik wheel back in 1967 that at the discussions on Nato reform the paradoxical suggestion had been put forward that it should be made an instrument of appeare-

And former Defonce Minister Franz Josef Strauss still believes today that an enalysis of the military situation in Sprope shows that "the preservation of security" in peace and liberty requires

IN THIS ISSUE FOREIGN AFFAIRS Kremiin heeds Berlin talks and ratification link

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Gilding is a popular sport

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Strauss and others are obviously over-

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From this point of view Tsarapkin's bking the fact that the changes Nato gone through are not based on through are not based on the land the changes of the land the changes of the land the changes of the land the land the change of the chan journey seems to have come too late: If he intended to encourage the individual Nato countries to take their own stand on these matters the Alliance as a whole

As far as the future military efforts of west are concerned firstly money is the cost of armaments rises in the proportion to the investments build by the social services and the cost of armaments. ondly weapon systems are becoming

technological point of view "better", that is say their killing keep the peace is not! warfare does not autothe highest levels of nuclear deterrent be-

Ecumenical conference

hether defensive or William Visser't Hooft (centre), honorary president of the World Council of Churches, was present at the ecumenical conference held in Augsburg, Julius, Cardinal Döpfner (right) and Hermann Dietzfelbinger, president of the Protestant Church in the Federal Republic also attended. (Foto: AP) offensive, threatening the ability of the opponent to strike

back and hence the carefully balanced nuclear scales.

there are new rocket

systems, no matter

Recognising the validity of both these arguments, the technological and the inancial, Moscow and Washington agreed to embark on talks to limit the scope of rocket warfare, the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT)."

It is quite a natural and logical parallel that in the short or long-term something similar must happen on the level of conventional warfare, especially as the idea of a balanced mutual reduction of troop strength in Europe is not exactly

some confusion reigned in Nato when Moscow sent its recent so-called signal from Tiflis in answer to Nato's Roykjavik, Brussels and Rome proposals dating from between 1968 and 1970, which seemed to be worth looking into a

What reply have the Allies now come up with at their spring conference in Lisbon to the Soviet proposal that they should taste the wine of MBFR (Mutual Balanced Forces Reduction)? 📑 :

viet diplomats are uncommonly ac-

tive at the moment compared with

their counterparts in the West. The Deputy

Soviet Foreigh Minister Semyon Tsarapkin Was in London last weekend following

time the complexities of troop with-

was talking on precisely the same points as the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation

meeting in Lisbon in the latter half of the

drawals and security conferences. Thus he

visits to Copenhagen.

Nato said an unequivocal yes, but has hesitated to specify how seriously it meant it, and sent it out with a politic calculated but as rider. This reservation concerns a satisfactory solution of the Berlin Question which, it is hoped, will come before the end of the year and which could clear the way for a pan-Euro-

On the question of MBFR, there has been a hiatus on the political scene but no lack of activity in diplomatic quarters. A kind of graded plan has been devised with the immediate task of sounding out Moscow's notions on a multilateral basis. Later on proper scouts will be named to carry out this work.

Basing their calculations on the intelligence work of these scouts a conference of deputy foreign ministers will convene in the atitumn to map out the way shead for the route march, before the Nato winter conference in Brussels is able to make a politically decisive stap:

hopes will be pinned on similarly onutious

chedule is not surprising, but it is sound. Moscow should not rebuff the Lisbon communiqué. The Nato ministers were careful to welcome the treaty restricting the use of the seabed for military purposes as a "significant step forwards" and praised the Soviet Union for acceding to the Geneva Disarmament Conference on the question of banning bacteriological and chemical weapons.

Moreover their concern at the growth of the Soviet Mediterranean Fleet is expressed in remarkably mild terms.

They have given far more attention to the third dimension of the alliance, protection of the environment, pointing to a (for distant) future when military problems may pale into significance compared with the pollution of the world

Bonn's detente policy according to Scheel

of tension in Europe

ships particularly with regard to relation-ships between blocs of allies,

Soireel, the Bonn Foreign Minister, in his hopes for a settlement on Berlin by the

end of the year.

Indicate is not such a close link between Bedlin and the talks on a balanced mutual reduction of troop strength. Following cussed and now that the prospect of talks negotiations leading to a lasting reduction ton: this matter has become such an General appeals for maintaining and strengthening the present position are likely to regret this are those who feel that status quo, or perhaps paralysis is the highest form of international relation. -important element in President Nixon's

precluded this possibility in the meantime.

The Nato partners have forged a close considering reducing the number of ink between a settlement of the Berlin question and the preparations for a alliance will be following a communal course which should lead to a thorough and the possible after the one about the situation and patient and the Nato allies lays supported waiter

The Nato partners have forged a close considering reducing the number of the Berlin question, and the preparations for a link between a settlement of the Berlin troops in their satellite countries? Can they risk it in the light of the efforts being made by the satellites to obtain about only be possible after the other continued on page 2.



FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Kremlin heeds Berlin talks and ratification link

Hardly a day passes but some member or other of the Bonn government or an Opposition spokesman mentions the problem of a link between Four-Power agreement on Berlin and ratification of the treaty with Moscow.

Moscow has less to say for itself. The Kremlin has come to terms with the fact that the Moscow Treaty only stands a chance of ratification in conjunction with

The Soviet Union would like to reach agreement on Berlin. It has come to realise that an agreement would benefit

Soviet sims in Europe.
These sims consist first of long-term stabilisation of the status quo, second of reducing America's influence on its West-ern European allies and third of utilising the industrial, scientific and technological potential of Western Europe by means of favourable trade agreements so as to help solve domestic difficulties.

Agreement on Berlin, it is hoped, will have the required detente effect and lay the political groundwork for further

The Soviet leaders have learnt the lesson of Nikita Khrshchev's Berlin ultimatum: that massive pressure brought to bear on Berlin serves only to consolidate Nato when it is a matter of the West's fundamental position in the divided city.

This is why major Berlin crises have been avoided in recent years. Periodic interference with this country's links with Berlin have been tactical in intent, serving solely to underline the Soviet legal view that West Berlin is not, politically, a part of the Federal Republic.

This would remain the case even if agreement were not to be reached on Berlin but the USSR, unlike Bonn, does not view a Berlin settlement primarily in terms of ratification of the Moscow

Moscow does, of course, consider ratification of the Treaty with this country to be desirable but the signatures already appended to the document are felt to be the crux of the matter.

Even assuming it is not ratified the Treaty as it now stands and viewed from Moscow's angle has already either attained or brought closer fundamental Soviet

policy aims.

Take, for instance, the position as it stood from about mid-1969 when Moscow started to show an interest in talks with Bonn. Difficulties in Poland and Czechoslovakia were the order of the day and the contours of possible interplay between Bonn and Peking had already

What is more, there were tendencies in the GDR to attach greater importance to domestic considerations in trade agreements with the Soviet Union.

The Moscow Treaty has already played a part in progress towards consolidation of the Eastern Bloc in the Soviet sense of the term. The selective Eastern policy of the Kiesinger and Schröder period has been shelved and there is no longer any mention of active contacts with China.

The GDR, not a little worried by the rapprochement between Bonn and Moscow, has also concluded new trade agreements with the Soviet Union that could not have been better as far as Moscow is concerned.

It is easy to visualise how Bonn, say, would have reacted to American wishes of this kind if Washington had made approaches to Hast Berlin similar to those

made by Russia to Bonn last year.

Against the background of overall political developments since August 1970 the GDR has gone so far as to intensify integration with the Soviet Union and Rumania too has undeniably backpedalled on a number of issues.

The ratification issue is accordingly a eeble motive for the Soviet Union to show willing over Berlin.

It now looks by no means out of the question that the United States might prove the sole beneficiary of Bonn's concessions under the terms of the Moscow Treaty.

Viewed from Moscow it cannot matter much to America how great Bonn's political presence in Berlin will in future be. The West may be lending Bonn's demands in this respect every support but Moscow may well feel that this is largely because the Western powers are not sure what consequences for their own position

might ensue from the Moscow Treaty.

They are tending to soft-pedal the Berlin talks in order to postpone ratification of the Moscow Treaty and so continue to play a part in determining the tempo of rapprochement between Bonn and Moscow

Repeated pointers by President Nixon to the effect that all major problems on which the United States and Russia differ are interlinked to fit this picture.

Tolerable agreement on Berlin as regards the West's fundamental demands may be reached but there can be no uestion of the Soviet Union agreeing in a Berlin settlement to the status quo as regards Bonn's political presence in the divided city. The 1964 treaty between Moscow and the GDR lays emphasis on West Berlin's special political status.

It is, on the other hand, possible that the Soviet Union might agree to certain American wishes in solving other problems, the Salt talks, for instance.

West Berlin's de facto ties with the Federal Republic, including legislation, the arts, trade and travel, could, however, be guaranteed by means of a technical agreement involving the GDR.

(Kieler Nachrichten, 2 June 1971)

Cairo-Moscow treaty confirms long-accepted facts

Soviet President Podgorny's Cairo visit cast an Egyptian volte face followed turned out not to be as unofficial as Secretary of State Rogers' visit is was officially made out to be the case in the Egyptian capital.

In addition to the usual pomp and circumstance Presidents Podgorny and Sadat signed — after a bare day and a half talks - a comprehensive and detailed treaty of friendship and cooperation. The treaty, which the Soviet leader had brought with him, has twelve clauses and was signed for an initial fifteen years.

There was, so it transpired, nothing unofficial about President Podgrony's visit to Cairo - and precious little

Indeed, following US Secretary of State William Rogers' visit and President Sadat's coup ousting his left-wing rivals the visit by Moscow's Middle Bast specialist He had to make sure that President

Sadat intended continuing to play ball with the Soviet Union, in home affairs too, and he needed it in writing. He got both. The Egyptian leader may be keen on gaining elbow-room but he continues to be dependent on Moscow's

Has Egypt developed into a kind of Arab Czechoslovakia? Could there be a terun of Prague in Cairo, with a Soviet invasion of the Nile Delta in the event of President Sadat one day not playing ball

and trying to reach agreement with the Americans? Pessimists who feel this and similar forecasts to be justified have already made their voices heard. There were, for that matter, fantasy-mongers who fore-

Bonn's policy

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least an outline of what goes on before negotiations are feasible.

Nevertheless the progress that has been nade between the East and West in the last three years is impressive. Talks are in progress in the Berlin Question and the next Four-Power talks take place on 7
June. The SALT talks are going on and have received a new impetus in the past two weeks. Contacts have been made preparatory to a European security conference. And according to all predictions there will soon be negotiations on troop reductions. The latest initials are MBFR (Mutual Balanced Force Reduction).

In the midst of this general activity Bonn's Ostpolitik has its part to play. It fits into this framework. In this respect Foreign Minister Walter Scheel was not just using flowery language when he stated after the Lisbon Conference that Bonn's detente policy was a central factor in the Western alliance.

(Handelsbiatt, 7 June 1971)

Egyptian capital. Both are equally,

Following President Podgorny's on tations with his Egyptian counterpart still unclear how much leewsy Egyni retained. Is President Sadat in a post with Israel?

Have the Soviet leaders allowed in free hand to proceed with his liker tion policy at home even in the in opposition by the Moscow-oriental wing Nasserites? Even after the a sion of the new treaty one can but

Two points would, however, seem

 President Sadat is trying to pa policy of neutrality rather than an of playing off one major powers the other. All that Mr Rogers could him was the assurance that Wally continues to oppose major ten changes and refuses to sanction if over of territory occupied during a Arab-Israeli war.

The American Secretary of Su unable to promise the Egyptimal that Washington would bring press bear on Israel to accept this on Cairo is accordingly more dependent ever on the other great power that position to exert pressure, the

2. Nearly everything to which the Trenty has given the official approval has been an accepted in some time. There are Soul a supplies, Soviet military advisor, of mic aid, consultation and coordinate the event of a units, the president unitation at the president of the control of

voto on agreements that run count Moscow's Middle Bast policy.

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One point has been made clear by treaty and the response to H to (calls for a similar agreement white United States). A solution to the

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POLITICS

Mid-term political landscape remains dull and uninteresting

Parely is there still a good relationship long a Social Democrat remains Chancel-between the electorate and those for lor they cannot take up again where whom they voted when it comes to to make more concessions than he mid-term in the legislative period. This is already done so in his offer to the time when the gap between what was expected of the government, what they promised, and what has actually transpired is opened up to its fullest.

This procedure is repeated in all countries which enjoy free elections, no matter what party has come to the fore. It is particularly easy to sense this when, as in September 1969, the leadership of the government is passed on to a party that has sat on the opposition benches for seventeen years, and then had to go through a kind of trial period to prove its worth as th junior partner in a setup such as the Grand Coalition.

Looking back over the past eighteen months we see that changes more clearly expressed in terms of personnel and atmosphere, rather than in concrete, tangible facts.

There are many reasons for this. The Social Democrat party has become more sensitive. It jumps back like a scalded child now when it runs into opposition on proposed reforms, whether the opposi-tion comes from its Free Democrat partners or from the Churches and other

vested interest groups.

It is obviously much easier to go on pushing a truck along the same old tracks than to lift it off the rails. The result is that the SPD has in some ways bitten off more than it can chew and is having to take unpopular measures.

This is something that must be a cause of concern for the Party and its acolytes, but not for the man-in-the-street who looks on with interest and watches the Opposition stretching out the safety not waiting for the government to make a slip on the tightrope. He knows that the machinery of democracy is running

amoothly.
However, trapeze artist Karl Schiller is performing his set pieces, currency and economic stability, and Willy Brandt and Walter Scheel are showing off their double act, walking the Ostpolitik tightrope, without even a safety net.

For the Opposition, around which so much revolves but which has so few flashes of inspiration, should perform the task of providing a constant alternative to the government of the day, but at the present moment it is not doing so.

United States). A solution to the East problem is not merely a make the countries immediately countries in the countries immediately countries in the countries immediately countries in the countries immediately candidate for the Chancellery, would countrie the countries in the coun the time of the Mende crisis.

So now the CDU and CSU cannot sit back and hope that the SPD and FDP have enough rope to hang themselves and solve the Opposition's problems; they Oilo Heinz, Editor: Alexander Andrew I must take steps to solve these problems.

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Friedrich Reinecke Verlag GmbH. 3 Even if the CDU/CSU party-political Aussicht, Hamburg 75. Tel.: 20 Sept. Sometreens to be held this coming Octo-22 14728. Beans burgens Konrad. News. 1 Sept. 1 leader for the party and a candidate for Palais Schaumburg, while the vanquished cape from the Saar capital without too may scars, it will still not mean that the petier to offer in the way of foreign and commit policies than the government. omic policies than the government. the electorate were more concerned bout political personalities than political trategies when making up its mind in copularity polls then we would have a Clearer idea of the kind of changes the CDU/CSU would make if they could. They must be well aware that however

lor they cannot take up again where Kiesinger and Erhard left off.

However difficult it may be to see what the Union parties are up to, it is ten times as difficult to understand the motives of the Free Democrats. They are like a small band of castaways on a desert island whose sole hope is one signal rocket. They will fire this into the sky and hope that a rescuer comes. Secretary-General Karl-Hermann Flach is trying to collect together divergent forces.

But who is going to explain to the middle-classes for instance why they should vote liberal again at the next provincial assembly elections in April 1972 although the Hamburg state committee of the FDP recently came out in favour of worker participation in management on a basis of equality.

If people in this country were used to the battles between political parties that are commonplace in other democratic countries then all this would be easier to swallow. But this is something we are not used to here and the fact that the parties are confronting each other with weapons at the ready, hurling differences of opinion at each other, far from winning new friends for democracy à l'allemande has brought its old opponents back into

Of course we can be glad that the NPD has gone from one election débâcle to the next, but the results of recent local elections have tended to hide strong undercurrents. Many people who would never dream of voting for a right-wing

aving - that is the main topic of Oconversation in Bonn, Superminister for Economic Affairs and Finance Karl

Schiller must now learn to wield the axe

against grabbing ministerial) depart-ments which so shocked his colleague,

Alex Möller, and caused him to quite so

extremist party are longing for a strong man. When they are asked what this strong man should do they are unable to say, but they hope that the strong man himself will know the answers.

Semi-conscious yearnings of this kind should not find any expression in elections in the 1970s.

But even today when unemployment is

virtually non-existent in this country and for all the talk about a crisis the crisis is something that is on the horizon but has not yet taken place, there is an air of insecurity and a touch of anxiety about the future.

It would be quite amiss to view this in solely political terms. A number of changes in society which happen quite independently of whoever is in power in Bonn, but which are ascribed to the government of the day are taking place.

It is not possible to run the business of German politics with intelligence and reason alone in the present situation and whoever does not believe that should read the history of the first German republic.

On the left-wing there are people who think that reforms or revolution could create not only a better world, but a perfect one. But this is only one side of the coin. The other side shows the hopes of the worthy middle-classes who expect salvation to come, with the end-product being a society in which all conflicts between vested interest groups are removed and society is totally free.

No party in a democracy is likely to set out to satisfy such Utopian ideals. In fact it should be everybody's aim to quell ideas of this kind especially the parties who are in power.

A people which constantly has the fine verbiage, but senseless prattle "something must be done" on its lips cannot be served by a government that is constantly cackling about unlaid eggs and which forgets to sell its new-laid eggs at the right market price.

Fritz Richert

(Stutigartor Zeitung 29 May 1971)

Schiller wields his economies axe

abruptly. Whether Schiller will succeed or not only time will tell.

Professor Schiller himself sees the tasks ahead in this light: firstly he must plan the 1971 budget in conformity with stability. Secondly he must devise a reasonable budget for 1972, and then rethink middle-term financial planning up till 1975. Thirdly there must be a noticeable reform of the tax system. Before this year is out the matter must be signed, scaled and delivered.

By there is now no prophetic gift involved in forecasts that increased taxes will come. Professor Schiller does not want to hurt those with small incomes, but "from the middle-income group upwards" the screw will be turned.

Just how vehemently the Superminister will act against those in the high income bracket is still uncertain. His party aides are still at work. A commission is investigating the tax situation and will the time the extraordinary party political conference is called (in Bonn from 18 to 20 November).

There will be a bitter wrangle in the next fews days about the demands for public expenditure in 1972 put forward by individual ministries. Of a total bill of 120 milliard Marks at least ten milliard will have to be expunged.

Following Alex Möller's departure from the Finance Ministry a gap of 63 milliard Marks has been opened up in middle-term financial planning.

New priorities must be set. It is essential that vital reforms should not be buried in the State cemetery for suicides. with Economic Affairs and Finance al-

Superminister Karl

begin at home and that Schiller should first make cuts in his own two ministries by pruning staff. Certainly there are avoidable extravagances in his ministries and rationalisation would be possible. But would this pan out in quite the way that

simple minds imagine? The first economy that could be made, it seems at first glance, would be a ministerial office along with all its secretaries, advisers, one chauffour and a car. As a whole the personnel in all ministries - which is increasing by about five per cent every year - will not be touched.

Just how Professor Schiller intends to deal with the financial demands of the ndividual ministerial departments no one vet knows. In Schiller's old Economic Affairs Ministry for instance, there is a small matter of about one million Marks for new gradings for civil servants due this

made in most ministries. This begins with a cutback in the purchase of new files and cabinets should be purchased. When it becoming quite stingy. For instance only one ministry official is allowed one trip to Brussels for each one EEC event.

Today Professor Schiller in his united ministry is the master over 50,000 gov-emment employees, white-collar workers and tradeamen. Quite a figure! The number of people actually employed in the double ministry is only about 3,500, It has been mooted that saying should most equally represented. But allied to

A backward glance at ministerial resignations

Only five times in the history of the Federal Republic, since 1949 that is, have Ministers resigned Cabinet posts. Once of course, on 27 October 1966, all four Ministers belonging to the minor coalition partner, the Free Democrats, resigned at one go.

That meant the end of the Brhard government and Kurt Georg Kiesinger ecame Chancellor of the Grand Coalition of Christian and Social Democrats.

9 October 1950; Minister of the Interior Gustay Heinemann (at that time a Christian Democrat) resigned because Chancellor Konrad Adenauer offered the Western allies a military contribution without the knowledge of the Cabinet.

31 October 1962: Minister of Justice Stammberger, a Pree Democrat, resigned because of the Spiegel Affair.

26 March 1965: Minister of Justice Bucher, at that time still a Free Democrat, resigned as he did not agree to lengthening the period envisaged under the Statute of Limitations for the pro-

27 October 1966: Finance Minister Rolf Dahlgrün, Housing Minister Bucher, Minister for all-German Affairs Brich Mende and Minister of Economic Cooperation Walter Scheel all resigned because of differences of opinion over the

28 March 1968: Minister of the Interior Lilcke, a Christian Democrat, left the Cabinet of the Grand Coalition after differences over proposed electoral re-(Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung für Deutschland, 14 may 1971)

this ministry are a number of other authorities and the customs and excise service alone adds a 30,000-strong team to

the ministry.

Kari Schiller employs six State secretaries, four permanent and two parliamentary, fourteen departmental heads and hundreds of advisers and other staff of an advisory capacity. He is head of a Federal industrial concern with an annual turnover of fifteen milliard Marks and

employing 150,000 people.

The current joke in Bonn is that Schiller, like Helmut Schmidt with his soldiers and Hans-Dietrich Genscher with his Border Guards has a private army, since he is head of the 30,000 customs and excice men, some of whom are

However, Genscher remains the most important army officer: his Border Guards stand watch over Palais Schaumburg and check all people entering and leaving the Chancellery.

How powerful Karl Schiller will remain

is a question not of the presence of the men with the ballpens but of personal skills, Even his superministry fails to make him a deputy chancellor, and there are enough ministerial colleagues who will keep a jealous eye on the situation to see that this never occurs.

The guidelines of policy-making are ballpoint pens and does not stop at the decided by the head of the government question of whether new desks and filing and to prove the point Willy Brandt has shown his hand quite clearly in giving comes to official travel the ministries are Professor Schiller responsibility for

He can remove this responsibility if Schiller should fail. It seems that the Cabinet will go on working in its present fashion until 1973. If it should change, Willy Brandt is likely to be reminded of the remark he made half in jest during the minor crisis: "I have promised my Cabinet guaranteed full employment."

(Welt der Arbeit, 4 June 1971)



A ta recent press conference President Nixon dealt, among other topics, with China. His announcement that following studies and talks with Nationalis China and other countries a decision was to be taken in about six weeks' time on the tactics to be adopted by the United States in respect of Communist China at the next UN General Assembly, served merely to confirm that developments are progressing at a relatively rapid rate regardless of the President's warning note to the effect that normalisation of rela-

tions was still a long way shead. The significant change mentioned by the President in respect of UN members stiffules fowards Peking did indeed come to light at the last General Assembly in November 1970 when the traditional May of mathland Chinese membership of the world body was dealt with in the **Customary maintee**

Two Chinas rivalry must be resolved

The American tenet that Chinese membership is a major issue requiring a two-thirds majority was again easily con-firmed but for the first time the membership vote resulted in a small absolute majority (of two) in Peking's favour. Since a two-thirds majority was needed there were, of course, no legal con-sequences.

But the moral and political success this But the moral and political success this breakthrough represented in the face of years of presents brought to bear by Washington him meanwhile not been whilst effect. At the same time Peking Itself his insteasingly conserged from its behinden, his established diplomatic ties

and activated links with other countries. It is doubtful now whether the motion insisting on a two-thirds majority would now gain majority acceptance. Does this represent a failure for the United States after two decades of insistence on this very point? It would be more accurate to speak of a success for China, a success spored as a result of a normal international outlook (in comparison with Peking's attitude to the outside world

during the cultural revolution). Even the United States might benefit from developments. But before a Peking esentative takes his seat in the UN building in New York some solution must be found to the rivalry between the two Chinas, each claiming the sole right to represent the Chinese people and each claiming the other's territory.

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PROFILE

Weichmann's retirement marks the end of an era for Hamburg

Weichmann, senior burgomaster of the Freie und Hansestadt (Free Hanseatic city) will give up his office on 9 June.

The departure of Professor Weichmann marks the end of an era for Hamburg, an era that will be remembered under the retiring burgomaster's name. For six years Professor Weichmann has steered the ship of State in the Hanseatic port and has developed a style of representation and government that bears his personal stamp and corresponded thoroughly to Hanseatic traditions.

The constitution of the Federal state made Weichmann's office a fairly weak one. He was the "premier" but also the "equal". But he built up his position in the government of the city state to that of a governing statesman. He regarded himself as the first man in the Federal state of Hamburg and always avoided

sinking to the depths of party politics.
Social Democrats in Hamburg respected their brother burgomaster and with delightful irreverence called him "God the

The retiring burgomaster was born in 1896, the son of a Prussian-Jewish academic family in Landsberg, Silesia. He studied jurisprudence and was a com-battant in the First World War.

Politically speaking the key experience in Weichmann's life was the Kapp Putsch. At that time when reaction against the Republic first became voiced lawyer

In Hamburg a grand old man is leaving the political stage. Professor Herbert with himself to the German workers'

He worked as a government adviser in Prussian offices rising to the position of personal adviser to the Prussian Premier,

In his student days and afterwards Professor Herbert Weichmann worked as a journalist and was on the staff of the renowned liberal paper, Frankfurter Zeitung. In 1933 he had to leave Germany. At first he went to France and later fled to the United States via Spain, In 1948 Herbert Weichmann returned

to the Federal Republic prompted to do Max Brauer. His first postition was Schulz takes care of the minor details. president of the Hamburg accounts depariment and later he became the Hanseatic city's Senstor responsible for finance.

In 1965 Welchmann helped the Social Democrats out of a difficult situation. Family difficulties were enough to persuade the prudish Hanseatic brothers that the then burgomaster Paul Nevermann should be voted out of office and within 24 hours Herbert Weichmann found himself occupying the senior burgomaster's

This was intended as a temporary solution to a problem. The solution lasted until 1971. Weichmann carried out his duties as burgomaster in the same way as he considers he had carried out every office he had ever held. He says: "As if I had been doing it all my life."

His six years as Hamburg's senior burgomaster were a success story. He set up a planning staff as an instrument for drafting concepts for the future, drew up a plan of development for Hamburg and its outlying districts, created the essentials for harbour precincts at the mouth of the Elbe with the accession of Neuwerk Island to the Hamburg city state, and had decisive influence on the compromise that was reached on financial adjustment.

In the Senate this foxy administration man was feared. On numerous occasions he sharpened his pencil and looked through a few figures that had been presented to him by the Senate occasionally he found that his colleagues' arithmetic was not too good!

Weichmann's successor, the present junior burgomaster, education senator Peter Schulz, who is also a lawyer is not inheriting a sinecure! This former solicitor and ex-Justice senator for Hamburg is a pragmatist through and through. He does not have the great dignity about him that enabled his predecessor to override so by the then burgomaster of Hamburg, all objections raised by his party. Peter

> Long discussions and a number of objections preceded his election to his new office. Many leading brothers in hthe Hamburg Social Democrat party fear that the new man who is only 41 years-old will start a lengthy "Schultz era" and thwart forever the dreams of the office of burgomaster for his colleagues in the Senate, Heinz Ruhnau and Helmuth

> Whereas Heinz Ruhnau the Senator for Domestic Affairs cleverly kept in the background during the discussions about Weichmann's successor, the powerful Senator for Economic Affairs, Helmuth Kern plunged into the fray as a combattant. He was clearly shown to be second best to Peter Schulz.

The Economic Affairs Senator who is a



Herbert Welchmann

keen publicity man intends to ke second shot and hopes that he can at obtain for himself the position of p burgomaster. The Federal state: mittee of the SPD has, in the mean nominated Helmuth Kern as its card for this office. The actual decision Kern's candidature -- the elections place in the Senute itself — will cor June at a party political confere the Hamburg SlD. The party, whit earlier times was generally speaking tent to follow the suggestions of its members, has gradually become mon more rebellious.

Now it has managed to pass an analysis ment ensuring that whenever their Continued on page 5

URBANISATION

Munich congress underlines plight of our cities

of the annual general assembly of the Citles Congress in Munich — summed up the malaise facing our cities in a penetrating cry for help.

The only reason the situation has not degenerated into social confrontation. threatening law and order in the cities, is that there are no alternatives, Cities everywhere are in the same unenviable

Rome, the Eternal City, is being suffocated by debts and traffic but still attracts a never-ending flow of migrants. Many people find living in Munich a torment but it still remains this country's 'secret capital".

The invasion of commuters in the (Photo: Archiv/Comb morning and their exodus in the late afternoon as they leave behind them the barren city streets proves better than a number of essays that city centres have become inhospitable.

Residential areas are not much better.

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change in the Senate the candidate in the acting Federal chairman of the West German white-collar workers union. He had to submit to a gruelling interrogation from the party before being elected.

gentleman's agreement during the coalition negotiations. A compromise was fiquestion must be approved by the party political conference. Kern is the second candidate who has had to receive this

The first was the future Senator for Education, Günter Apel, who is at present the acting Federal chairmant of the West Germany while-collar workers union. He had to submit to a gruelling interrogation from the party before being elected.

Should Helmuth Kern win the election - and no other candidate has yet appeared on the horizon -- he will only be the junior burgomaster for a limited period. As soon as it was known Herbert Weichmann intended to stand down the FDP, the other coalition partner in Hamburg, claimed the office of junior burgomaster for itself, encouraged by a gentleman's agreement during the conlition negotiations. A compromise was fihally decided upon which is unorthodox to say the least. In the first half of the legislative period, which continues until early 1974, the SPD will provide the durgomaster, then the FDP will get its

Dieter Stäcker (Frankfurter Rundschau, 1 June 1971)

tits sixteenth annual general meet-

ing in Munich the Cities Congress

Our cities are sick — and bankrupt.
"Save our cities now" — the motto

After the stress of a day's work commuters withdraw within their own four walls at night, shutting themselves off from all outside life. Isolation reigns supreme where there could be social communication.

> But we still have to live with our cities as there are no practical alternatives. There is more money to earn there, there are more stimuli and better social and cultural amenities and there is a greater variety of jobs and educational opportunities than in the country.

The conglomeration of people, energy and capital has its drawbacks but it is indispensable for trade and social de-

The cities' main problem is that the growing demand for housing, social amenities and public services is accompanied by a decreasing amount of municipal capital.

As there is little prospect of the cities' share of tax receipts being drastically increased - the central government and the Federal states the other beneficiaries, are too strong politically for this to occur - the only solution is to distribute the available money differently.

Realising this, Munich authorities decided to carry out a land reform programme. Mayor Hans-Jochen Vogel calculated that fifty milliard Marks flowed into the coffers of property owners between 1960 and 1969 while only 42 milliards were spont on building council

City politicians and the political parties have long since agreed that land reform is the cardinal factor in reviving our towns. One of the main reasons for the delay to the reform is the long time it takes for the public to become aware of a situation that needs reforming.

Homogenous social groups like farmers or students soon take to the streets when they feel that their specific interests are being threatened, especially as individual interests and the interests of the group can be reduced to a common denomina-

That is not the case with the inhabitants of a city. Brought up to place their own interests above anything else, cityfolk are little moved by the interests of the community, especially if they themselves own property and hope to speculate.

The cities, driven on by their empty coffers and the demands of their inhabitants, must act quickly, even if this is against the wishes of interest groups both small and powerful.

It the cities do not act, the apparent indifference of people in city affairs could be transformed into an aggressive interest that would be of little benefit.

In Munich President Gustav Heinemann cited Article Fourteen of Basic Law: "Property carries responibilities. Its use must also serve the common good."

This article can be applied to land as it is a commodity that cannot be manufactured and thus takes up a special position in the economy. Its value is determined not by its own nature but by outside conditions.

Its value is the sum total of its position within the community. When this prin-ciple is recognised, the link between land ownership and the resulting social obligation can be seen.

Many prominent people in our society have repeatedly drawn attention to this. In a famous radio broadcast Professor Leibholz, a judge at the Federal Constitutional Court, demanded a change of current property laws in view of obvious social grievances.

The two major parties have repeatedly stated that land ownership is linked with

Hannoversche Allgemeine

a special social obligation. What exactly this means for the Social Democrats is shown by a law to aid municipal building that will be discussed shortly in the

Though land reform will do a lot, it will not cure all ills. It has not yet been decided whether a city should cater more pedestrians or motorists. It has not yet been decided what aspects should be borne in mind when a city is being

A city is always closely linked with the surrounding country side and town planning must always take the surroundings into consideration. But many of the surrounding communities dismiss this as "city imporialism."

Planning in city centres could founder on the self-interest of property-owners while planning for the city and its immediate environment could fail because of the opposition of neighbouring communities.

The malaise facing the cities is also a sign of their political weakness. The fact that they, unlike the Federal states, are not involved in legislation and have to negotiate for a share of tax receipts are weaknesses that are based in Basic Law.

The cities are therefore left with only the annual cry of alarm at their congress. But perhaps they are also left with the displeasure of townsfolk who, if not politically articulate, break out in neuroses or illnesses and flee the city streets.

Hans Anton Papendleck

Pleas to save our cities

hade a public appeal, stating that the standard of a civilisation and its social ervices are reflected in the state and The development as such cannot be tively, priority must be given to four stopped. Stopping scientists from doing research and passing on their knowledge German cities have performed great feats in the past, especially in the last 25 years. But now cities are threatened by would serve humanity as little as stopping technologists from building, halting proangerous trends.

There is the daily traffic chaos that duction or impeding consumption.

In many fields our society has made higher growth rates and technological advance as such a fetish of our era and even endangers humanity and nature for their sake.

Our economic system has set free powerful forces and contributed to freeing advanced industrial nations from material hardship. But it has developed onesidedly. The social commitments and limits of the free market economy must be stressed more plainly.

If cities are really to be helped effec-

1. Continual emphasis of the price the community has to pay for progress and growth and of the extent to which the quantity of production can affect the quality of the standard of living:

2. Ending the distortion between the structure of requirements and that of goods offered by stressing the social obligation of the market economy, in particular by increasing public funds for

community investment and amenities; 3. Land reform implementing the social obligation involved in land ownership;

4. Maintaining and extending local administration as this is the only way to exploit the individual forces necessary to carry out the task of saving our cities. of land ownership. (Die Welt, 27 May 1971)

President Heinemann appeals for land reforms

pening the 16th annual general meeting of the Cities Congress in Munich on 26 May 1971, President Gustav Heine-mann called upon the legislature to fulfil its constitutional obligation of land re-

President Heinemann told the 1,200 delegates from 500 cities attending the two-day congress that land speculation was one of the sources of the malaise facing cities today. "If we do not master the problem, we shall come to a standstill." he warned.

The President was loudly applauded when he asked, "When shall we read plainly and clearly that Article Fourteen of Basic Law does not only guarantee the principle of ownership but also determines its limits?

"When shall we read plainly and clearly from Article Fourteen of Basic Law that property carries with it an obligation and that its use must take into consideration the common good?

"When will the legislature eventually carry out its obligations as far as land reform is concerned, not to mention any other field at the moment? '

The President added that these questions could also be directed to legal bodies. Legal bodies could not and should not take the place of the legislature and draw up general legal maxims from the principle of a welfare state.

But, he said, in isolated cases it could and should examine whether a propertyowner's conduct was totally commensurate with the full content of Article

Heinemann wished great success to the four working groups dealing with the main problems of city politics such as redevelopment, transport, environment ind finances.

Munich's Mayor Hans-Jochen Vogel, the officiating president of the Cities Congress, named five basic conditions to ensure sonsible town planning and urban construction in future.

Town planning must be more intensive, he said, plans for further city development must be given more thought, town planning must be given a new image, there must be better methods of administration and control and there must also be closer regional cooperation.

Speaking of the rise of land prices, Vogel stressed the social obligations connected with ownership of property. He said that the Federal Republic should adopt the Stockholm model where a very large part of the city lay directly under the control of the city authorities and private people could only own property for their own use and for a certain time.

Housing Minister Lauritz Lauritzen stated that the government's urban reconstruction report of 1970 showed how well it understood the situation at local

He added that the government was attention and had pointed out ways to solve the problems involved.

This included the Bill for a law governing local building and redevelopment. The second and third readings of the Bill were brought forward to the week immediately following Whitsun.

When passed, the law will be the first step towards ending the shortcomings of the current law concerning urban construction, Lauritzen said.

Lauritzen added however that this law and the proposed amendment to the Federal Building Law were not in themselves sufficient to combat land specular tion and achieve the necessary mobility

(Stuttgarter Zeitung, 27 May 1971)

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Banging over cities, there are polluted lakes and rivers and the intolerable effects of the noise of traffic. There is the lack of healthy homes d urgently needed social amenities such hospitals, schools and efficient rail

osition of its cities.

fosts lives and health, nerves and time and demands senseless material wastage. There is the threatened extinction of ally centres, paralysed and throttled by rivate transport. Mere is the murk, haze and smog

THINGS SEEN

Dürer – an artist caught between two eras

lbrecht Dürer's name, even in this the five-hundredth anniversary year of his birth, still means no more to many educated men than an example of old German exactness and Nordic coldness.

In an age when religious pictures of all kinds arouse widespread disinterest the life-work of the great Nuremberg artist is seen in a light that tends to exclude the Christian aspect or alternatively over-

The famous Betende Hände (Hands in prayer), which has been abused for touristic purposes is not at all the kind of work that it has been made out to be for many years, namely an artistic spectacle testifying to a religious fervour. It is nothing more than an exemplary masterpiece of detailed anatomical portrayal.

It is quite a different story with regard to Direr's altar-pieces in which the free language of form subjugates the ties of the commissioned works or in which the fantasy is completely liberated a l'ita-

It is possible to track down the contradictions in Albrecht Dürer's 'handwriting' by comparing two works exe-Paumgartner Altar in Munich, dating from 1503 and the Anbetung (Adoration), deting from 1504 and now in the Uffizi Gallery.

Statuesque grouping of figures which marks out the former disciple of Wohlgemut is still underlined in the former work by heraldic figures on the side. But in the picture executed one year later there is the festively loose grouping of the kings, the vista on to the hills and the architectural ruins, an inflexible late-Gothic cliché transposed into Renaissance generos-

These contradictions underline the fact that Dürer, unlike any other master of his: age was the chronicler of two epochs. He was late on the scene for the Middle Ages

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and in at their death with his petty-bourgeois parsimony and his worn-out pictopainter of a period of transition from more humanist era.

Direr's doctrine of proportions, his nude drawings and paintings come into this category. They chronicle the liberation of the human body from the Nor-"Code of honour" and from the metallic Realism of their great old Flemish predeces-

Eve copperplate en-

gravings dating from 1504 and the Prado gallery's painting of the same subject (1507) are glowing examples of this portrayal of mankind which is quite untypical of Nordic painting in its combination of proud geometry of figures and sensual carnal knowledge.

The famous Nuremberg artist had delivered his artistic credo at the early age of thirteen with his silverpoint engraving self-portrait. And this came before he had made any professional contact with his future métier.

This shows a self-awareness that has not been yoked to the strict discipline of

The almost pedantic experience of reality that is shown in water-colour landscapes and also some of the larger canvases is inherited from the days of apprenticeship as a goldsmith, which Diror completed before his artistic train-

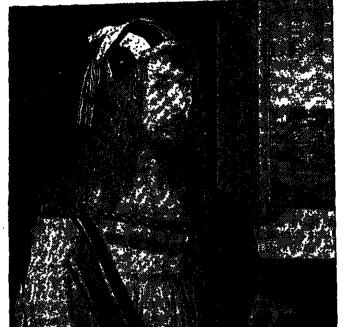
Here he met up with one of the contemporaries he most admired - Martin Schongauer, who also came from a family of goldsmiths and who had been made into one of the most significant

pre-Dürer graphic artists by this ap-

Once again we see in these two artists the proof of the fact 'handwriting' can be built up by the proud originality of an apprenticeship in one of the crafts.

Painting as "free art" is one of the least free of all protimes when princes and the upper middleclasses are the patrons. It was a question of living with and from commissioned works for the artists.

The Paumgartner Alter : is a prime. example of this pious hybrid of condescending bourgeois



Dürer's selfportrait owned by the Prado, Madrid

patronage. The two wings that frame the Adoration and on which the Paumgartner sons are depicted as St Eustace and St George are more important than the

They overwhelm the portrait of Mary which is petrified in ponderous architec-

This is a clear example of how the wishes of patrons place a burden on the overall composition of the work and how the framework of pious modes of thought forces the spirit that is struggling to free itself back into the horizons of late-Gothic experience.

If Durer's knowledge of human propor-tion were not specified in the figures of patrons this altar would have to be included among the many sacral works of this period despite its brilliant colouring.

It is probably not an exaggeration to count Dürer as the first of the great realist of Nordic painting who led men from the cool self-evident nature of concrete experience (inherited from Rogicr van der Weyden) back to their own selves.

The greatest advance in Dürer's undistorted portraiture is the isolation of mankind in the oppressive late-Mediaeval superstructure of salvation and damnation to which he raised them and to have had a sense of man's being as a corporeal creature in all its beauty and hideousness, dignity, depravity and sen-

The unadorned charcoal drawing of Direr's dying mother, the painting of masterbuilder Hieronymus and finally Direr's last painting, the portrait of the adventurer Johann Kleeberger, dating from 1526, are the most competent witnesses of this experience of mankind.

and drawing is accompanied by a lifelong dependence such as is symptomatic of the social condition of the artist at the threshold of a new era.

Again and again his modest amount of wealth is endangered. It is endangered by the attitudes of the Nuremberg city fathers, by the death of his patron Maximilian, and by the journeys to Venice and The Netherlands that are an essential part of his life.

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Durer's Adem and Eve, a copper engraving, done in 1504. telonging to the Germanisches Nationalmuseum Nuremberg

- Att Engly Last of July (Photoi Katalog)

Albrecht Dürer- ■ THE ARTS salesman and arti

🔂 ven five hundred years after high Albrecht Dürer's stature and post during his life cannot be mistaken, h can be no disputing his overwhelm importance - attested to by great a temporaries such as Michelangelo, fael, Eramus of Rotterdam and Mela ton. The sometimes rather embarra Direr hullaballoo does not detract a this fact.

There are few other creative arise that age that we know as well as Abm Dürer. Dürer kept a complete recon his work in letters, diaries, them works and in a family chronicle.

The life of this artist around the from the Middle Ages to the mode has modern, highly relevant feature, from today's standpoint. Dürer was the first artist to offer his

at low prices so that as many people possible could acquire it. His wook series (The Apocalypse, The Life of he and the minor woodcut Passion) and engravings made him known through Europe and spread his fame.

He was an excellent businessmall not only sent his wife and maid to it Nuremberg and Frankfurt to offm works for sale, but he also drew upsh price list for his prints and sent hism Konrad Schweizer on a business incl impressed upon him: "If he (the sme should succeed in selling the prints higher price, he should space to the gaming or careless actions."

His business sense also helped him advantage of a suitable opportunity. When all the world spoke of the tors miscorriage of a pig in Alsace in the spir of 1496, he quickly made an eagraful it hoping it would sell well. Germany's most famous and a

popular artist was always conce about his image. He spent a number years working on his monogramme he was satisfied with its form. It bes trade-mark whose misuse was an

A decree published by the d Nuremberg on 3 January 1512 "The stranger who sells drawing in the town hall bearing an imitalist." Albrecht Dürer's signature musi be obed to promise to remove these special on all the works."

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Albrecht Dürer's work comprehensively displayed at Nuremberg exhibition

A Il efforts to comprehend Albrecht Dürer outside of his work have been n vain. The large exhibition in Nuremberg's Germanisches Nationalmuseum pened on the 500th anniversary of the attist's birth provides the proof. Dr Peter Strieder, the museum director.

has been preparing for this exhibition for six years. There is a long series of showcases forcing visitors to concentrate on every painting and every graphic work.

This intimacy and resulting demand for concentration does not fail to have an effect. Equally unique is the idea behind the exhibition.

Visitors are gradually introduced to the master. The first room contains documents. Then the artist himself can be met. The youthful and correspondingly self-confident Dürer greets the visitor in his self-portrait of 1493 lent by the

To the right hangs the 1498 self-portrait lent by the Prado. Then comes ihe Munich self-portrait — the wellknown work painted in 1500 showing Durer with his long flowing locks. The signed self-portrait from Briangen can be seen in the same room.

There are also portraits of his father. his wife Agnes and his "Portrait of a

Wood-carver receives

first Dürer award

Wood-carver H.A.P. Grieshaber, 61, has been awarded the Albrecht Direr prize by the city of Nuremberg. The prize worth 20,000 Marks has been awarded by the city to celebrate the five-hundredth anniversary of the birth of its most famous son.

It will be awarded every five years from now. The dedication to the prize states that it can be awarded to personalities whose work has a universal character such as that of Dürer's life work. As a mark of gratitude to Nuremberg

Her Grieshaber has presented the city with an integlio, intended as the "foundation stone" for the collection of modern works in the new museum.

(Kölner Stadt-Anzelger, 18 May 1971)

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It is also significant to note the pressure

on the artist's pocket of the more modest Braphic projects such as the woodcuts for

ity of any other nation. Join Direr's Paumgertner Alter loaned to (Kölner Stadt-Anzaiger, 21 Mar Huremberg from Munich's Pinakothek

The highlight of the celebrations in Nuremberg commemorating the 500th anniversary of Albrecht Dürer's birth was the opening of the large Dürer exhibition in the Germanisches Nationalmuseum by President Gustav Heinemann. The exhibition, the largest ever devoted to the works of Dürer, is taking place in the gallery in the upper storey of the old section of the museum. Preparations for the exhibition had been going on for two years. Twenty-four specialists contributed their expertise under the direction of Peter Strieder, the museum director. 110 museums and private collections from fourteen countries lent works. Two hundred drawings are on show along with all Dürer's graphic work. The catalogue lists some 730 items. The exhibition is divided into 26 sections, each with a room of its own. It will remain open until 1 August.

Young Man" painted in 1500 in Munich for which Dürer's brother Hans modelled.

It is not long before the visitor is confronted with the rest of Dürer's work. At first the organisers wanted to show everything that the young artist experi-

Nuremberg is well-represented with wood-carvings and portraits of inhabitants. The early wood-carvings on the Upper Rhine which gave Dürer a great stimulus during his apprentice years are also documented in the work of Schongauer and the engravings of Hausbuch-

Dürer's earliest woodcut - Hieronymus (1492) - can be seen here along with the earliest book engravings - Nurrenschiff and Der Ritter von Turn.

The next room deals with his two journeys to Italy. The Netherlands follow with works by Massys and Provost and engravings by Lucas von Leyden lent by the Munich Pinakothek.

Even then we do not obtain a glimpse of all Dürer's work. First we have to see the world that fashioned Dürer's ideas. The plety of the Late Middle Ages is shown by prayer books and contemporary writings, the Catholic heaven in Dürer's works such as the excellent woodcut Gnadenstuhl.

The Free Imperial City of Nuremberg is also part of the artist's environment. That is why the next room contains the Imperial jewel chest. But the chest is empty — the jewels are in Vienna.

But Dürer's two portraits of the Kaiser are to be seen there, resplendent in their newly-restored colour, along with old views of Nuremberg.

Then the visitor is subjected to the whole range and variety of Dürer's work - though only gradually so that the artist's development can be experienced.

It is exciting to see how Dürer dealt with the ancient world that had become a routine part of Renaissance painting in Italy but was little known north of the

Four drawings of Mantegna can be viewed along with two preparatory sket-ches. He made many nude studies but most have been lost in the course of time.

In this way Dürer discovered nature that was only hinted at in works of the Late Middle Ages and never given full realistic expression.

Dürer however painted water-colours that give an extremely precise reproduc-tion of natural phenomena and have something of an Impressionist air about

His animal studies belong to this cate-gory and a well is devoted to them. His famous study of the hare is not on show here but the visitor can see his studies of crab, a stag's head, a lion and a

Direr's sharp eye for nature also influenced and transformed the depiction of Christian themes. This is shown in the next room with the excellent Paumgartner Altar, the Passion from Karlsruhe and the Madonna with a Carnation.

Direr's graphic works follow, looking as if they had only just been printed. The Appealypse borrowed from given a whole wall. The Major Passion is epresented by the best examples.

A copper engraving of the Passion has been lent by a private collector and

Amsterdam provided an edition of the Minor Passion just as Dürer printed it with four pictures on every page.

The works done for Kaiser Maximilian take up a number of rooms. The Ehrenpforte is made into one monumental work by piecing together the individual sheets. The Imperial Sanctuarium too attracts visitors admiration. The Kaiser's prayer book with illustrations by Dürer and Altdorfer can also be seen.

The pictures of everyday life perhaps do not start to impress until it is realised that Dilrer took just as much trouble in depicting fighting mercenaries, dancing peasants or the miscarriage of a eight-leg-

Dürer's theoretical works can be seen in the original. Items are exhibited showing that Dilrer's ideas influenced Nuremberg goldsmiths and glass painters.

In the last room there hang the excellent portraits that show that Dürer's experiences and theories opened up new parths for art, leading to a new way of thinking and a new image of Man.

Jens Timpe (Kieler Nachrichten, 24 May 1971)

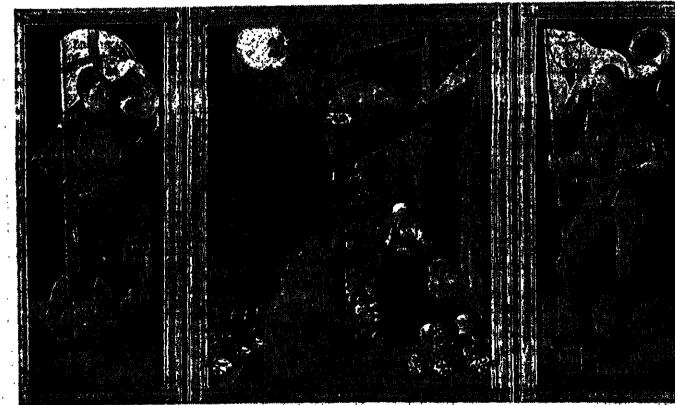
79 Dürer drawings go on the market

Turemberg's Dürer anniversary year has come up with a minor sensation in the world of art dealing: Edelmann the art and rare-book dealer in conjunction with the Zürich-based art dealers August Laube is offering 79 original drawings by Albrecht Dürer (1471-1528) for sale. Their total value is one million Marks.

It is the first time in ages that such a large number of works by Dürer has come on the market at one and the same time. The collection which will be on show at a special exhibition took three years to gather together.

Among the works offered for sale are some decided rarities such as Sankt Christophorus mit Zurückgewandtem Kopfe (Saint Christopher with head turned) with an asking price of 15,000 Marks, and the Enthaupting der helligen Katharina (Beheading of Saint Katharine) valued at 45,000 Marks as well as great series like Apokalypse (sixteen sketches valued at 65,000 Marks) and Die grosse Passion (The great passion) twelve sketches priced at 42,000 Marks.

The two most expensive works are Ritter, Tod und Teufel (Knight, Death and the Devil) which dates from 1513 and is valued at 80,000 Marks, and Die Melancholie (1514) priced at 75,000 Marks. (Stuttgarter Zeitung, 21 May 1971)



EDUCATION

Children's road safety knowledge examined

Frankherier Rundschau

t only takes a fraction of a second. Car tyres squeal, bystanders scream with horror, headlight glass shatters and a child lies dead or injured on the road.

A child is killed on the roads of this country every three hours. Every five minutes one is injured. In a large number of cases it is impossible to say how such a thing could have been possible. The child must have been able to see the car coming so why did it race into the road?

It is now thought that the large number of road accidents involving children cannot be explained alone by inadequate road safety training or increasing traffic density.

There must obviously be another reason and this could be that children have no understanding of the dangers facing one simple fact that nothing seems to

Uniroyal financed a series of experiments that revealed that even city children who are used to traffic have little idea of the dangers they are exposed to on the

The series of experiments was based on the fact that an adult's pulse beat accelerates when he recognises any traffic danger, however negligible. Taking a bend too quickly or even the sight of crashed cars at the side of the road will suffice.

The experiment started by assuming that a child's pulse beat would be affected in he same way. But measurements taken proved negative, showing that children do not understand the dangers facing them on the road.

Fourteen boys and ten girls aged between two and twelve were observed during the experiments. All were healthy and normally developed and all were from car-owning families.

Before beginning the large number of experimental drives, the children had three electrodes attached to their chest. The electrodes were linked with a telemetre and the results were picked up in a pleasure felt by the child in receiving an



distance and were recorded by an electro-cardiogram, an oscilloscope and a tape

The results recorded during the experimental drives have now been analysed in alter a child's pulse rate during a car journey. Changes of direction, acceleration, braking and other traffic situations were unable to produce any change.

This was shown particularly by one extreme case. The car had to apply its brakes so sharply to avoid hitting a careless pedestrian that the child was thrown from his seat and hit the back of the seat in front of him.

But even then the measuring instruments in the car following registered no noticeable reaction in the pulse rate.

Under these circumstances it would be easy to suspect that the measuring instruments were faulty or that a child's pulse frequency, unlike an adult's, is no indication of his emotional state.

But each of these theories can easily be disproved by the results of other experiments. The pulse beat increased rapidly for instance when the child's mother left the car without it. Even ten-year-olds who betrayed no outward sign of unrest reacted to this situation with an accelerated pulse beat.

On the other hand it only took the

second car that followed at a certain icecream during the journey to set off the pulse beat reaction that was not registered at other stages of the journey, even in critical situations.

A protracted journey confirmed the results gained in city truffic. The child is unable to relate himself to what happens on the road. None of the events causing an accelerated pulse beat in adults was recognised by the children as a danger.

Neither excessive speed, the sight of an accident, careless driving or a lorry cutting in led to any change in the children's pulse rate.

Theodor Hellbrügge, the scientist Uni-royal commissioned to carry out the experiments, concludes from all this that everything that happens on the road strains a child's comprehension

Summing up his report, he states, "The logical conclusion from those results is that it is precisely this aspect that is the greatest danger for children on the roads.

"The child never recognises the danger. Increased caution when confronted with traffic is therefore alien to it. Road safety training for children must aim at depicting traffic dangers in a way that can be understood by children so that they can see the danger.'

In other words, we do not need more road safety instruction but a different type. Making this clear was the aim of the research project.

(Frankfurter Rundschau, 15 May 1971)

School grading MEDICINE

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A Professor of Education in Kiels: thirty writers a number of childs essays and asked them to mark them; a the forties – the 1840s, that is – the add their comments. Was it a trap of spa set up in Griffenberg, Austrian genuine call for help? Teachers where agreed on the criteria to be userned out the same publication. When marking an essay. Cases where Seasian Kneipp, a desperately poor cellur from the age of eleven and the deep and dust soon went to his lungs.

The weaving trade was already suffering as a cottage industry from the inroads made by mechanical looms. Young Sebastian had to work at the loom in the cellur from the age of eleven and the deep and dust soon went to his lungs. same essay by the same pupil gent theology student and no longer the highest and lowest grade are common youngest, either, was suffering in Munich from a lung complaint that threatened to professor Gottlied Schröter of Edath his cherished hopes of a career in the

has long been concerned with wa church.

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that the demands made on them were the healing properties of water penned by great — or did not reply.

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Marie Luise Kaschnitz and Sin Theological Academy he subjected himvon Vegesack refused to mark then self to cold showers in the seminary - about fifteen in number - as it is garden and ice-cold baths in the Danube. have taken up too much of their time. Kneipp did not look the consumptive

about a Sunday afternoon in spire,

Commenting on the general feets type. He was strong and sturdy in being given too much work, San appearance. But the illness the waters pred him to master was nonetheless

He not only beat TB, he also recom-NEUE RUHR ZETUNG mended taking the waters to his fellow-students. The experience gained in the

process of overcoming his own illness was to have a decisive effect on the entire

states, "A young teacher in his is subsequent life of Sebastian Kneipp.

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moment.

"The sun has broken through the their friends.

"It is a Sunday, a spring Sunday, hard solemnly silent. But this silence will be broken by the song of the bit their father and respect him. They stress that he is "my hero", "a good chan" or "o." b. "

Nature awakes."

Schröter typed out the essay and asks. Opposition does not begin until children are older than those age ranges that work. Four of them said it was excelled four good, one satisfactory, three are older than those age ranges that work and three poor.

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A mother should always be there for adequate or poor stated that it as one of the ties and go her own way but a soon as she has a question or gets into difficulty will want to ask her mother's advice.

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Gerhard Weise

(Kölner Stadt-Anzeiger, 18 May 1971)

Sebastian Kneipp's water cures have brought relief to millions

damp and dust soon went to his lungs, tuberculosis in those days being the poor man's disease par excellence

His father was rated intelligent and hard-working but always had difficulty in earning the family enough to live on. His mother was strict and doubtless embittered about the joyless nature of her own

The son felt a sense of vocation from an early age. He always wanted to become a priest. Years of toil, trouble and a serious bout of consumption were to pass before he finally achieved his aim.

It was not until 1852 that Peter von Richarz, Bishop of Augsburg ordained Kneipp at a ceremony in Augsburg cathedral.

Having stood the test of so many physical and psychic setbacks Father Kneipp proved to be an energetic, good-natured prelate with a knowledge of the world, first as chaplain at Biberach Wallfahrtskirche, then as acting priest of Boos, near Memmingen, then as third town chaplain at St George's, Augsburg.

Kneipp was a born doctor of the soul but experience had taught him that physical well-being is also important. His vocation included the urge to help sick members of his congregation, which he did in both Biberach and Boos, which was in the middle of a cholera epidemic.

The success the achieved with water treatment, particularly in cholera cases. strengthened his conviction that cold showers, compresses and the like can be of use with many complaints. Yet already in Biberach the local doctor and chemist instigated proceedings against him as a

He began his life's work proper in May 1855 when he was appointed father confessor to the Dominican nuns at Wörishofen near Türkheim.

In days gone by the numery had been affiliated to the Sisters of St Catherine in Augsburg. Consecrated in 1723, it was closed in 1803 when Church and State parted company in Bavaria.

In 1843 the nunnery was reopened on condition that it run a convent school and a home for orphans, waifs and strays. Father Kneipp set to his new educational duties with a will.

From 1858 on the convent had to pay its way and Father Kneipp ran the agricultural side, including cattle, sheep, pigs, fruit and bees. He proved a first-rate agricultural economist.

He also started writing, editing a catechism for schools and penning brochures on agricultural topics. Above all, he continued to help the sick who came to

Father Kneipp never had any intention Of placing obstacles in the way of t medicine, which was progressing by leaps and bounds with the introduction of scientific methods. He was only too gratified when trained doctors showed interest in his methods and included them among the possible methods of treat-

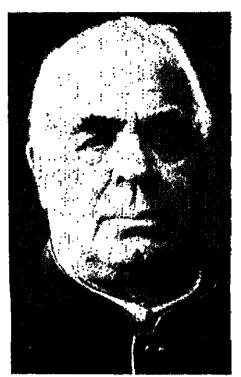
Unlike many of his supporters Kneipp never for a moment claimed to have discovered a cure-all but he gained an increasing reputation, first in Wörishofen and later, after his appointment as vicar of the town in 1881, further and further afield. Wörishofen began to develop into what is now a world-famous spa.

Father Kneipp's time was divided between caring for spiritual and physical

How To Live, gained him an international reputation. High-ranking Churchmen, kings and princes pilgrimaged to Wörlshofen and the Pope made Father Kneipp a Papal chamberlain.

Regardless of criticism by the medical profession Kneipp cures have become part of the stock in trade of treatment for a large number of illnesses.

But Father Knelpp himself, who died in Wörishofen aged 76, suffered the same fate as Priessnitz of Gräfenberg, who died in 1851. A number of his followers attached more importance to his method of treatment than the originator himself.



Sebastian Kneipp

Doctors discuss problems of learning at Lindau medical congress

indau, a charming medieval town that only one in three of the children jutting out into Lake Constance, has suffered from learning handicaps attributbeen the venue of many a conference but never before has as many specialists as the 1,300-odd doctors and psychologists gathered together for the Twenty-First Psychotherapy Week been in town at one and the same time.

The theme they were there to discuss was that of "Learning and Difficulties in Learning," a topic of equal interest to all parents of schoolchildren and students.

"Learning," Professor Reinhard Lempp, head of youth psychiatry and neurology at Tübingen and one of the principal speakers at the conference, noted, "cannot, of course, be limited to

"It takes the new-born child a matter of days to distinguish its environment with the aid of light and touch sensations," he continued. Professor Lempp was not prepared to pass an opinion as to whether a baby can process external stimuli at birth or even in its mother's

Tests involving noises beamed at unborn children would nonetheless at least



seem to indicate that this may be

The speed and efficacy with which a child comes to grips with the world depends to a very large extent on his or her relationship with the mother. This is something psychotherapists have known for some time, the particular example cited by Professor Lempp being that of a how with a propounced lies.

Close questioning of the mother revealed that she had invariably chatted with her other children while weening her youngest. Later she spent mealtimes phoning her friends. The upshot was that her child got it all

wrong from the start. The child concluded that talking had nothing to do with him and what people said did not affect him either. This, then, was the cause of its serious speech handicap. Professor Lempp and other specialists

also made an attempt at the congress to dissuade their listeners from invariably laying the blame at the mother's door. A survey of 124 school failures in

Tübingen revealed, surprisingly enough,

able to emotional factors of this kind.

An equal number suffered not only from disturbed family relations but also from almost imperceptible mental trouble and the remaining third suffered exclusively from mental trouble.

Professor Lempp feels that these "partial disturbances in performance due to organic handicaps" deserve more attention. The children in question are completely normal but for one factor: either they cannot cope with what they have seen or they cannot process what they have heard.

The ensuing shortcomings are manifold and the parents usually notice only the symptoms and lament that the child will not listen, does not follow, pays no attention, just does not want to.

In the United States, where the number of children handicapped in this way has increased to a particularly large extent in recent years, the correct solution, has it is felt, now been found.

Dr Gertrud L. Wyatt of Wellesley told the congress about her pre-school clinic. Parents first fill in a questionnaire indicating what activities typical for the age-group their child already masters and what he cannot yet do.

Should a shortcoming be particularly striking, a five-year-old who cannot yet tell the difference between the various colours, for instance, mother and child are requested to come along for an interview. The child is then subjected to

If it proves to be suffering from mental handicap of the kind indicated skilled therapists train it in the sector in question. In other respects it continues as before, going to school or kindergarten so as not to jeopardise its social development by being separated from others of its age-group.

Work of this kind is only in its beginnings in this country. Over the last five years psychologists have developed a number of tests designed to reveal mental trouble of this kind and they are already used at a number of clinics specialising in child neuroses.

As for psychotherapists, the interest shown in the conference would seem to indicate that they too will soon be working at a solution to the problem. Florian Rauberg/PAM

(Frankfurter Rundschau, 14 May 1971)

Children's essays illuminate attitude to parents

If I were my father, I would first have to go to work. When I came home, I ciple of not striking a child still seems to would lie down on the sofa for a while. be alien in this country. A person must Then I would keep order in the house as gain the impression that we are a race of the children have to be slapped from time child-beaters for whom striking children

"If I were my father" and "If I were accept it and plan to treat their children essays written by nine to seventeen-yearolds attending various types of school.

All the boys accept the beatings mentioned by the twelve-year-old in his essay. They do not plan to act differently if their future sons come home with a bad report or are cheeky.

Few of them wrote that they would not slap their children. One stated, "I would not hit my children as there are a thousand other ways of punishing them."

Walter Vogels has analysed the essays purpose and my father knew this." and published the results in a book entitled Wenn ich mein Vater wäre (If I such conflicts. None of the younger were my father) issued by Fredebeul und children in a family is willing to under Koenen of Essen.

is so routine that the children themselves

Brother and sister conflicts often lead to criticism of parents. A child will often think that it is being treated differently

to other children in the family. One boy reported, "I was once given a box on the ears when I knocked over a cup of coffee. If I had been my father, I would not have hit my child as anyone

can upset a cup of coffee. "My father did not punish my brother when he once threw a stone at my foot. I would have punished him as he did it on

Television provides a fruitful source for

stand why he or she cannot see as much

elder bothers and sisters.

This results in anger and argument. Usually the older children too have to

the day and would like him to devote

Children only know that their father goes to work in the morning and comes back again at night. That means that a father is not seen by his children when he is at his best. Only an architect was able to tell his son something about what he

did for a living.

father's position, they would not spend

television and the same programmes as

stop watching so as to provide no temptation for the younger ones. But often the younger children as well will spend too long a period in front of the

Two factors are evident in a boy's relation to his father. The boy rarely has any idea of what his father does during

his leisure time to his son.

The father does not figure very prominently in bringing up children. Most children only see their father when he is tired after a hard day's work and can do little more than watch television or spend the time drinking.

The children complain that, in their

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THE ECONOMY

Road to economic normalisation will be long, according to Karl Klasen

THE GERMAN TRIBUNE

In the economics department at the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Finance hard times for speculation on foreign exchange are being forecast. These "hard times" should last for a year

In fact it is not only for the speculators that the times have become hard but also for those who stand on the sidelines and try to forecast how the floating dollar — or the dollar-manipulated-by-the-Bundesbank in Frankfurt - will develop as an international currency.

Everybody is racking his brains to try to predict how swiftly this country's economy will approach the threshold of recession and how comfortably it will weather the newly fixed parity after the official return to the old dollar-Mark exchange rate of DM 3.66 to the \$.

The "agreement" reached by Super-minister Karl Schiller and Bundesbank President Karl Klasen after days of really bitter verbal tussles does not reveal much of the matters on which they have reached agreement.

All that we can be certain of is that:

The Bundesbank will offer for sale at a cheap rate part of its dollar reserves that have now reached a value of forty thousand million Marks and thereby keep the value of this guiding currency low in comparison to the Mark for some time to

* The government has confirmed the point on which it left us in the dark previously, namely that after the period of floating the Mark would return to its old parity.

But there are already doubts about the second of these two pointers. They are being underlined by employers' associations in branches such as the retail trade and credit financing, by Bonn ministry officials and Karl Klasen's deputy, Otmar Emminger, as well as the Director of the Bundesbank, Heinrich Irmler.

They all doubt whether the European

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bring about stabilisation must therefore



Economic Community Council of Ministers has really set its sights on sticking to the old parities after the end of the period of flexible, floating exchange

They laid far more stress on the point that this had been made dependent on the "conditions obtaining at the time" on 9 May and the "probable developments" that were forecast at the same time.

On the very day that Professor Schiller and the Bundesbank President reached their agreement Otmar Emminger pointed out that a revaluation of the Mark could not be "ruled out".

Therefore there is complete uncertainty surrounding all the factors that could have a decisive effect on inflation and stability in the next few months.

 Nobody knows how low the dollar exchange rate will sink. Reports that DM 3.45 to the \$ would be the lowest point for the Bundesbank are putting pressure on the bank of issue in Frankfurt by their very existence and the fact that they could give a guide by which speculators could orientate their activities. They are forcing the Bundesbank to accept an even more powerful swing of the pendulum or

to provoke one itself. It is uncertain whether the far-reaching ban on interest payments on accounts held by foreigners resident outside the Federal Republic is really leading to the withdrawal of money from these accounts which the constraints are countried to the constraints which the constraints are constraints and constraints are constraints and constraints are constraints. counts, which the government and the Bundesbank had hoped, or whether this money will be channelled along the still permitted route on to the Federal Republic capital market. It could certainly help avoid some bottlenecks on this country's

capital market, but then it would remain

* It is still unclear what covering fire the EEC partner countries will decide on when they meet on 1 July - if they

actually get around to deciding anything.

* Whether interest rates in the United States of America will go up to such a level that they attract wayward dollars back home is another unknown quantity.

* What policy the Federal Republic will decide on with regard to interest rates is a complete mystery at the

By lowering Bank Rate and relieving the demands of minimum reserves the Bundesbank can mark time, of course. Even if it wanted to use these classic weapons from its armoury to create more liquid cash it would not succeed. With its sale of foreign exchange on the open market it is forcing money abroad and pushing up interest rates.

In addition the difference between interest levels in the Federal Republic and other countries is no longer as marked as it was a few weeks since.

The costs of steadying exchange rates that German borrowers have to pay to their foreign creditors apart from interest are higher at a time of flexible exchange rates and make the business gradually unfavourable.

Furthermore foreign loans do not lead to an increase in the amount of money circulating in the Federal Republic as they do at a time when exchange rates are pegged. They are no longer exchanged by the Bundesbank for money from the central bank, but have to be paid for

from Marks that are already circulating. Since last year the amount of money in the Federal Republic has increased by nine per cent, excluding short-term (less than six-month) time deposits and by 22

A policy that tries to cut down the increase to eight, seven or six per cent can scarcely take care of lower interest rates. Nor should it do so if the intended

I PUBLIC AFFAIRS pressure on company profits and both sides of industry is to have a chance of success.

Foundations New problems arise in connec New problems arise in connecting this, however, and they make first and shrewd calming down of the industrial and shrewd economic situation seem misplaced. Already Bundesbank President tax-dodging Klason is warning that the time man tax-dodging

their interests and obligations are foundations just conservative or because of debts they have not debts and to avoid death duties—or are history of finance in Germany, when they private organisations which set out no experience of such matters.

Herr Klasen and others will be they consider progressive?

able to avoid gaining experience. There is at the moment a heated kind, however. Continually rising decussion going on in public about these rates and the impossibility for the extremes of criticism of foundations. German credit institutes of give and the end of it does not seem to be in without first-class security contains that many a bankruptcy-court in An evening of information attended by have his work cut out.

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boost, while prices remained his rent standpoints remains.

A spokesman for the Miss. For all those who view foundations as a Economic Affairs and Finance are unique opportunity to provide social velopments could be more for alternatives to the bureaucratic and imthan that." But even in the Minist movable State in all conceivable spheres have been objections that the and to develop in this direction, the only government and the Bundain bourse open is to embark on a wholesale Frankfurt must walk the programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and programme of publicity and a consistent narrow between inflation and publicity and a consist

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applies and this no longer fits and the increase in conomic landscape.

Finally we have only to look the rewly formed founda-

Biedenkopf said this in much more conciliatory terms. The legal constitution of a privileged foundation was not, he said, ah instrument for running an industrial concern in a particularly favourable form - for this there are quite enough methods provided by commercial law — and it is simply unworthy to use foundations to deal with problems such as concentration of the press, accumulation of capital wealth in private hands and government investments.

If "private wealth with a privileging function is to be transformed into actual public wealth with the function of helping society," as the Free Democrat parliamentary party suggests, quite pre-cise programmes must be developed as progressive alternatives to State and local government projects.

Whereas Herr Sohn proposes the whole gamut of so-called community works ranging from education to town and country planning as well as foreign relations, Herr Biedenkopf is more realistic and sees cultural themes in the spheres of education and science as being the duties Stiftungen should carry out.

They should sniff out shortcomings in the "science market" and keep "the plurality of scientific questioning" open book. In the course of the discussion it quickly became obvious where the border lies.

Representatives of foundations were unable to give a satisfactory answer to questions such as whether it was the duty of a foundation to give a helping hand to a scientist with Marxistic ideas who is unable to get his dues at a university because of his leftist notions.

In the major German scientific foundations remarkable steps are being taken towards internal reform. Internal reforms must go hand in hand with a reform of legislation governing foundations and tax-

There has been a growing interest in setting up foundations in the Federal Republic in the past few years, Each year seventy to eighty new foundations have begun their work. A total of four thousand foundations with a total wealth about three milliard Marks spend about six hundred million Marks each year on the most diverse works for the general good.

But only when the many repressive bureaucratic impediments to free activity beneficial to society in general are removed will foundations be set up to carry out programmes that point the way to the future rather than just as tax dodges.

Georg Hartmut Altenmüller (Hannoversche Allgemeine, 14 May 1971)

Foundations in the Federal Republic of Germany

There are around 650 foundations in the Federal Republic, North Rhin-Westphalia has the most, about 150, and the Saar the fewest - just two. Most of these foundations are not yet ten years-

Wemding in Bayaria claims the oldest German foundation, the Hospital founded in 917.

* The Volkswagen Foundation: This was set up ten years ago by the Bonn government and the Federal state of Lower Saxony with headquarters in Hanover. Its assets are not far short of 1,100 million Marks. In addition to this it can claim dividends on a 36% holding of Volkswagen shares. Its business manager is Secretary-General Gotthard Gambke. The VW Stiftung Volkswagenwerk backs a whole series of research programmes.

* Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Hal-

bach Foundation: Founded in January 1968 to extend the scope of the Krupp family concern. Its assets consist of all the shares in Friedrich Krupp GmbH in Essen, which have a nominal value of five hundred million Marks. Its business manager is Professor Karl-Heinz Sohn, the State Secretary at the Bonn Ministry for Economic Cooperation.

* Robert Bosch Foundation: Celebrating its fiftieth birthday this year. It was set up by Robert Bosch and specialises in medical matters. Its assets are of a nominal value of 259 million Marks.

' Carl Zeiss Foundation: This foundation set up by the prominent ophthal-mologist Dr Ernst Abbe in 1889 has two headquarters, in Heidenheim and Oberkochen. Its assets are aproximately 200 million Marks. The declared aim of this Foundation is: "To permit employees of the Carl Zeiss and Jena Glaswerk to develop their personalities to the full with legal protection and financial as well-as personal independence." In addition research work in the natural sciences is

* Fritz Thyssen Foundation: Its headquarters are in Cologne. The Foundation was started in 1959 by Dr Amélie Thyssen and Countess Anita de Zichy-Thyssen. Its assets consist of shares of the August Thyssen foundries with a nominal value of 100 million Marks. The main aim of the Foundation's work is helping young scientists.

* Max Grundig Foundation: This was.

cation has been shining a light on what is

spent within science circles on scientific

projects. Now the latest figures (for 1969) are available.

They show that the total expenditure

for research and development in 1969 amounted to about 7,400 million Marks.

Of this 6,400 million was raised by the

bled. In the same period of time the

economy itself.

the continuance of the Grundig group after his death". Its assets consist of almost all participation quotas of the Grundig group. Their exact value has not been made public but is somewhere between 100 and 200 million Marks.

* The Freiherr vom Stein Foundation: This Foundation with capital assets of 75 million Marks promotes artistic, scientific and humane works all over Europe and works for environmental and monument protection. Headquarters are in Hamburg.

* The Mahle Foundation: This organisation based in Stuttgart concentrates on health matters and the welfare of the young. Its capital is about sixty million

* The Ziegler Fund: This Fund serves to promote the work of the Max Planck Institute for Organic Chemistry in Mülheim on the Ruhr. Its capital assets increase each year and stand at approximately forty million Marks at the mo-

* Der Allgemeine Hannoversche Klosterfonds: This Foundation was set up in 1818 with capital that became available following the dissolution of the princely courts of the bishops of Osnabrück and Hildesheim. Its assets are of a nominal value of close on forty million Marks. The aim of the Foundation is to administer the real estates of the committee of canons and deacons in Hanover.

* Deutsches Elektronen-Synchroton (DESY): Set up in 1959 to construct and operate a high-output accelerator. Its capital amounts to thirty million Marks.

* The Possehl Foundation: This Foundation with a capital of thirty million has made it its duty to preserve Lübeck's

character and public places.

* The Max Planck Institute for Orgamic Chemistry Research: This Foundation was set up in 1939 by the Kniser Wilhelm Society for the Promotion of the Sciences, with headquarters in Berlin. Its headquarters is in Mülheim. The 29-million-Mark Foundation supports research work into problems concerning organic

* Werner Reimers Foundation for Research into Anthropold Genetics: Its capital of 36 million Marks is used to finance a study centre for interdisciplinary research.

* Borstel Research Institute: This carset up a year ago by the industrialist Max
Grundig from Fürth in order "to secure experimental biology and medicine. Capital: approximately 25 million Marks.

* Heldelberg University Orthopaedic Clinic and Polyclinic: Set up in 1918 by several Heldelberg industrial concerns, this foundation has assets of around 25 million Marks.

* Max Planck Society for the Promotion of the Sciences: With about 23 million Marks capital this Foundation backs research institutes in the most diverse spheres.

In the five years since 1964 this Official figures published by many foundations for their capital are generally amount of money has more than douundestatements. They often show only the nominal value of shares or participation in companies. For instance the In fact figures that are missing are for actual assets of the Allgemeiner Hanno**verscher Klosterfonds** is presumably ten times as great as officially published.

Moreover declared capital says very little about the actual scope of a foundation. Many statistics are compiled from a foundation's expenditure.

On these figures the top ten are: The Max Planck Society, the VW Foundation, Deutsches Elektronen Synchroton, the Fraunhofer Society, Prussian Artistic Properties, the Founders' Association for German Science, the Carl Duisberg Society, the Carl Zeiss Foundation, the Friedrich Ebert Foundation and finally this is extremely difficult and only the Heidelberg University Orthopaedic Clinic and Polyclinic.

(Handelsblatt, 14 May 1971)

Government walks the economic tightrope

If unfavourable developments should ensue then it is a question of finding the turning off the tap and stopping the flow cause of them so that the disease can be

of foreign exchange. treated with the right medicaments and in One aim in this direction that can be These are platitudes, but right from the achieved is the neutralisation of these influxes which are tending to have an outset the Brandt/Scheel government failed to take proper account of them; and this has demaged the government no less than everyone else, as we came to realise adverse effect on price levels in the

in this country.

Federal Republic via the international inflationary tendencies. The only tagtics that seem to promise any learning and in saying this for the first time — to bring about the saying this for the first time — to bring about the saying this for the saying this saying this for the saying this saying t a long time since. It is simply too tedious to trot out all the mistakes and sins of omission in about flexibility in exchange rates, howconnection with this all over again and retrace the steps that have led to the ever this may be designed.

But it is known that Karl Schiller wants flood of dollars into this country for speculative purposes that is to blame for economy. the crisis, but simply the favourable

climate that has been created by aspects of rising prices. Rocketing prices tend to have "Made in Germany" stamped over chimate that has been created by aspects of rising prices. Rocketing prices tend to have "Made in Germany" stamped over most of the stages.

The central problem to be tackled in the country and get rid of the speculative hot dollars that have been flooding into this country. In the first phase what is nothing less connection with the present efforts to into this country.

Then when prices, industrial producquite clearly be a stemming of the tide of tion and wages and salaries have been calmed down and a new plunge into The new Economic Affairs cum Firecession seems to be looming up we are nance Minister, Karl Schiller, has been able to begin the march back to the old Mark to see this fact, as well. He, too, knows that little will be gained simply by devaluation of the Mark.

But there are too many unknown factors in this equation; it is an experiment with an end result that cannot be foreseen. Furthermore if Professor Schiller pursues this course he would be risking a new recession, something for which he attacked the Erhard government when his party was in opposition, saying

Now, today, Schiller is defending his action with the argument that the government and the bank of issue have to create such economic, currency and credit poliexchange rate simply as an instrument for controlling the industrial sector of the not detrimental to stability.

periment is a success then he will risk causing a temporary recession and unemployment.

With the additional results in practically essential to create posed on government spending that clear idea of what the matter is all about net has got into yet another dies flar Solin's adversary, Professor Kurt H.

rates is over.

The end of this period, with the

economic landscape.

cles that those who are involved on the market act in a way that is conducive and not detrimental to stability.

Nevertheless it is true that if the government had stepped in at the right time and quelled the boom wages and prices would not have swelled until a downright inflation had been caused.

What could once have been solved by means of the Economic Stabilisation Act must now be achieved by some clever certain whether this balancing act will meet with success or not.

If Professor Schiller's stabilisation experiment is a success then he will riet. (Der Tagesspiegel, 23 kg

Scientific expanding

Among other projects that receive financial aid are the Institute for Biologi-cal Cybernetics in Thibingen and medical research at a university level for teachertraining purposes.

The range of projects in which the Assocation now has an interest stretches from equipping university administrations with teleprinters and the setting up of tation centres for German as a foreign to In the midst of all its sotivities the language (for foreign language than her Houst deep language) language (for foreign-language teachers and the like). New projects are in the planning stage,

such as a team for testing and researching natural talents, the setting up of modern buildings for research groups and interna-tional congresses of highly qualified scien-tists, which would be different from and better organised than the present-day unproductive conferences.

tific statistics within the Founder's Asso-

foundations are

busying itself with experimental and clinical viral studies.

scientific personnel involved increased by forty per cent. since these are subject to strict secrecy that has eyen now been only slightly

relaxed. Founders Association for German Science tries to pursue its policies of scientific promotion as independently of vested interests as possible and in cooperation with other foundations and selfadministrating 'organisations connected with the sciences.

It is clear that with the strong groups of vested interests in the Federal Republic For some years the archives for scien. partially possible. Martin Maybaum

(Vorwärts, 6 May 1971)



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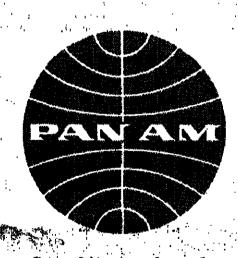
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■ COLLECTING

Weapon collecting is a good investment

At ten thirty am on 22 May a shot from a 250-year-old cannon opened the Fourth Weapons Fair held on Stuttgert's Killesberg. The Fair is the only one of its kind in Europe. For five days visitors were able to see almost everything the sport and hunting weapon industries had to offer.

European arms dealers hate looking back at the immediate post-war era when the arsenals of Europe emptied and stocks of old weapons were sold to American soldiers and arms dealers at

Before leaving the European battlefield, GI's went on a hunt for souvenirs, war trophies, pistols, guns, and machine-guns. War-ravaged Europe was glad of the business to be made from these relics of a dark age and noticed at too late a stage

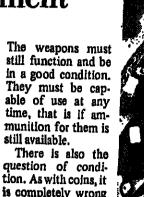
that stocks were almost exhausted. Prices rocketed. Many people in the United States have now realised that there is a lot of money to be earned in this field. What was an eccentric hobby twenty years ago has now become a means of capital investment. The idea of treating arms as a capital investment has now spread to Europe.

There are a number of factors to bear in mind when making capital investment in weapons. First of all there is a difference between weapons that are used in earnest and those that are only used for parades and decoration.

Ceremonial weapons are finely wrought and decorated with chrome, silver or even ivory and jewels. Generally ceremonial weapons are a century old or more and include swords, halberds, sabres, battleaxes, mediaeval cudgels and armour.

Prices for this type of weapon have fluctuated little in recent years. But some examples have fetched remarkably high sums. In general the same is true of these weapons as of wrought jewelry - the artistic value of the work done on them increases the price little, if at all,

On the other hand used weapons made in 1860 or afterwards are very marketable Rare items that do not qualify for his and are thus a better capital investment.



still available. There is also the question of condition. As with coins, it is completely wrong to believe that worn out or well used items fetch the same or a higher price. The closer the item ap-proaches mint condition, the more valuable it is.

Each part of a weapon has a serial number and it is important that these numbers should all

At present the wea-

pons most popular, with collectors are those with an historical background such as German and Swiss guns from the two world wars.

But collectors ought to work systematically. There are a number of ways to collect weapons. They can be collected according to the technical principles they incorporate - muzzle-loaders, flint-locks, percussion weapons, breech-loaders. They can be collected by types

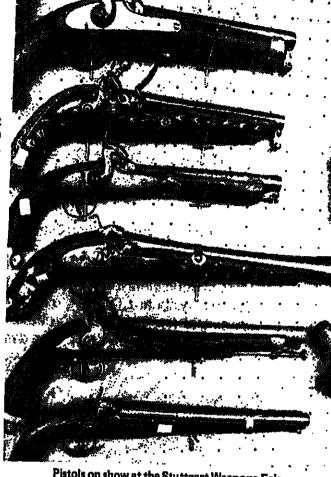
personal fire-arms such as revolvers, guns and duelling-pistols; long-range military or hunting weapons; or the cold steel of daggers, swords and similar weapons.

They can be collected according to mechanical systems where each typo is represented by one item. Or they can be collected according to calibre.

Of course these systems can easily be combined. A collector could for instance collect all muzzle-loaders of a certain calibre made by European manufacturers. main collection can be excalinged like

postage stamps. Com-bining the various methods of collection is sometimes necessary. A collector would be able to fill his whole house with all the different versions of the Colt that have been made. But it is not always the well-preserved older items that are in demand. Every year in the United States collectors flock to buy the jubilee items of Colt Industries who

Western fans. They also make special items decorated with chrome or nickel. Serial numbers are generally kept as low as possible with new productions. Speculation often results production will soon for capital investment. be stopped.



THE GERMAN TRIBUNE

Low-number series or experimental series rise more quickly in price and in the first series any mistakes can turn the weapon into a rarity - as is the case with

Series produced under licence are also rarities. These include the Colts produced by Rock Ola and Singer before the First World War and the German Parabellum pistols produced by Krieghoff or Vickers of Great Britain before the Second World War. These weapons produced under licence fetch twice the price of the normal model today.

After the boom in European military weapons collectors are already looking around for different fields. Initiates circles believe that private weapons will also rise in price in the near future.

Hunting weapons, rifles, especially the three and four-barrelled rifles that are no



longer produced, and duelling pistols should soon be in great demand.

Older weapons are often damaged. Gunsmiths then have to consider whether they are worth repairing. Refinishing weapons or revarnishing their metal parts can reduce their value by as much as eighty per cent.

The composition of the old finishing materials is often unknown now. Even when the weapons were being made manufacturers used to guard their secret.

The original nature of the weapon must still continue to pro-duce small quantities be preserved. Missing parts must be replaced by new ones that have been produced as accurately as possible according to the original method, involving painstaking work.

Good copies often cannot be distinguished from the original even by experts. This shows that capital investment in weapons demands a great deal of expertise. Laymen will need the advice of a good gunsmith. Not everything that is old and from the belief that looks good is in fact genuine or suitable

> Jacques Trachsler (Stuttgarter Zeltung, 21 May 1971)

Anineteenth century German uniform at the Weapons Fair (Photos: Jörg-Peter Maucher)

Hunting seas SPORT opens with a h

Gliding is a popular sport but costs are prohibitive

DIE WEII World champions, world record-holders, promising youngsters and kolfgang Paulsen of Flensburg – Aunt mall looks after them all.

Having qualified for the Bückeburg The hunting season began or Having qualitied for the Bucketing on 15 May for most of this stampionships by coming fourth in the quarter of a million huntsmen, that German heats Paulsen had the holders of a hunting permit. See 6 CR, a wooden glider built in 1964, now be shot.

Grouse have been in season Paulsen built his own trailer and saved April and have been fair povery last penny to buy his Ka 6. "No huntsmen insofar as they he choice for me, I'm afraid," he comments. The controversial battue whey'd gladly part with it for 12,000 Marks. game such as pheasant and hay dream is to own a 24,000-Mark driven into traps by beaters, lest-Standard Cirrus."

little chance of survival became. After the first two days of the gliding number of weapons used, will be championships he was still in mid-field.

this autumn on 16 October the weather improved his Ka 6 was no millions of the non-hunting interlonger able to compete with the synthetic Are huntsman really the prese models, which cost more and more but

claim to be? Or do they thefly faster.
pleasure in firing their guns? In the standard class he ended up that there are few other con forty-second and last, but still cared for Europe where hikers can come by Aunt Emily, the lady who may not much game. In many parts diexist but has put in an appearance at Saxony there is more deer the many a gliding contest and this year made. This country's hunting regular her presence felt for the first time at the thought of as ideal all over these national championships.

Most huntsmen are farment . Whenever a pilot is dogged by particis a decline in their numbers. In whatly bad luck Dr Frowein of the Aero the costs involved they have I Club presents him with either an umbrella hunting grounds - leases t or a bottle of wine, commenting to the nine-year periods — and offer delight of senior glider pilots that "Aunt 30,000 Marks or even double defimily is always there to lend you a reserve has enough small game at the ping hand when times are hard."

is a sufficient amount of bigger gast. World champlon Helmut Reichmann, a Roe deer is reckoned a said 29-year-old biology and art teacher from while fallow deer, red der and with Estlingen, and 31-year-old aircraft designare all big game. There is also put of the said and designated and other teachers who designant out of the said and designated by the said and designated and other teachers. game and the umbrella tens p who designed and constructed the Nim-game and winged game. bus, a famous name among gliding en-Anyone who wants to med thusiasts, do not need Aunt Emily's

terms along with complicates dissistance, about breeding and preservation No matter what place he ends up taking and game, nature conservation in dogs, hunting customs and half so as not to be included amongled per cent who fail the examination sary to obtain a hunting penait, able to answer the two thousands subject to local fluctuation because of

Die Jägerprüfung. The candidate must be able to the later year traine accounts for the discs with shotguns and fairlying death of 200,000 game animals. More than pigeons with a fowling-piece, the themselves are recorded annually. The Hunstmen, or people who think of themselves as himstern as they represented

needs in addition a gun licence.

The only people allowed to the costs money and driving to the of hunting permits and ment

hunting clubs. Hunting also has an econo More than 66 million Marks every year by selling the gam More than 800,000 pheasants, many hares, some 300,000 was and 500,000 roe deer are shot ext and Seven mill:

Seven million Marks are recent the sale of 25,000 red deer and million for the six thousand of an idear deer.

These estimates are based on light recent years. Small game in parti

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Reichmann and his LS 1 C is invariably the outstanding pilot in the standard class. Also, to quote his good-natured and mostly well-to-do Swabian fellow-pilots, he is "the poorest of us." But, they add, "he can't half fly."

Reichmann is indeed one of the few first-rate West German glider pilots who is neither comfortably off nor a mathematician, physicist and designer in one, like the many outstanding members of

Reichmann does not fly his own glider. It is a club machine. Mind you, there can hardly be a manufacturer in the business who would not gladly provide him with one. A world champion is good for

Continued from page 14

weather or disease.

The candidate must be able to the Every year traffic accounts for the

themselves as huntsmen as they renewed

It is far easier to obtain long, weapons. Both arms and ammunity damage done to crops by game, rent for order firms. Rifles and shotgunds to be carried when their owner is her clothing. Building to be carried when their owner is her clothing. Building to be constituted by the control of the

hunting grounds demands outlay on pe-

Does hunting give pleasure? Is the raising and killing of game a satisfying pursuit? Would it not be enough to have professional huntsmen to keep down the number of animals? There are a lot of questions that can be asked, some are a housand years old.

Is hunting a masculine sport? Is it cluttered up by a number of old German

Is it really possible to look at things as simply as a huntsman from Lower Saxony: "There is much too much talk about the problems concerned with huntlng. A lot of it comes from a misunderstood love of animals and sentimentality. duals and clubs that can afford to buy A huntsman has to be able to control himself. Come along with me at four o'clock next Sunday morning. You needn't shoot, you can just watch, but I bet you won't have had such a wonderful experience in years . . ." F. Gert Poble

span, the Swiss Diamant 18, flown by Helmut Ostertag and Günter Cichon, and 8B 8 and SB 9, designed by Brunswick university gliding club and flown by maths student Heinz-Adolf Schreiber and

engineer Gerhard Stich, all cost around 40.000 Marks.

They are thoroughbred synthetic birds, but transform a popular sport into an exclusive and doubtless interesting hobby for physicists and designers.

As standard class specifications are

strict the chances are still fairly even.

Reichmann proves the point that in the

final analysis ability counts. In the open,

a class in which designers can vent their

creative spleen, it is a different kettle of

Klaus Holighaus's Nimbus II, Rolf

Spätnig's Kestrel with its 22-metre wing-

The specials have no difficulty in reaching speed of 150 kilometres an hour (ninety knots and more). The maximum speed allowed the Kestrel by the licensing authorities is 250 kilometres an hour, for instance, and world record-holder Hans-Werner Grosse's ASW 12 is allowed 200 km/H (125 miles an hour).

Even a standard class aircraft such as the ASW 15, designed, like the ASW 12, by world championship competitor Gerd Waibl, is capable of comparable speeds. The famous Soviet A 13 has a registered maximum permitted speed of 400 kilometres an hour (250 mph).

The open is gradually becoming a glider pilot's dream. They are thrilled by the aircraft but the number of private indiviand run them is, in the final analysis, growing smaller and smaller.

Fred Weinholtz, competitive gliding

secretary of the Federal Republic Aero Club, sounds a warning note. "Aircraft (Die Welt, 15 May 1971) Marks and the best on the market at the

time are already outdated in many cases.
"What," he wonders, "about the
40,000-Mark gliders? Will they still be competitive in two years' time? Maybe we will then have aircraft that can increase or reduce by half their wing surface area. They will, of course, cost 80,000, 100,000 or 120,000 Marks.

"Continual improvements are doubtless to be welcomed but the sporting value of the open does, to say the least, tend to become a more doubtful quantity."

Brunswick university aero club is already in the process of constructing a superbird of this kind. It will have a

wingspan of thirty metres (98.5ft).

Open class gliders are already taking up water as ballast. It is poured overboard in accordance with the thermals encountered. The Brunswick SB 8 has lead ballast, up to eighty kilogrammes of it. The snag is that it can hardly be jettisoned. A decision has to be taken beforehand.

Specials like these remain wishful thinking for most of the 25,000-odd members of the gliding section of the Federal Republic Aero Club, roughly 45 per cent of whom are youngsters.

They have assumed traumatic propor

tions for competition organisers too, witness the introduction of the so-called wingspan factor in the assessment of results in the open, a newcomer to this year's national championships, incidental-

The idea is to assess the best performance in relative terms. The outcome doubtful and controversial. Klaus Holighaus saved the organisers at Bückeburg a good deal of trouble, though. He was almost always the fastest but by no means always the day's winner - because of the wingspan factor.

A first-rate pilot and designer, he is nearly always a front runner. In the long run this is what counts. It is not only Nimbus II but pilot Klaus Holighaus and Holighaus is as much the king of the specials as Reichmann rules the roost in the standard class.

Yet both can be beaten. This country takes some beating for first-rate glider pilots flying first-rate machines.

> K. Morgenstern (Frankfurter Allgomeine Zeitung für Deutschland, 26 May 1971)

Favourites come first at gliding championships

The favourites came first at the Bücke-burg gliding championships. For the second time since 1968 world champion Helmut Reichmann of Esslingen in an LS 1 C won the standard class title with a total of 3,060.91 points, having come home first on two of the five days.

In the open 31-year-old Kirchheim engineer Klaus Holighaus won the national title for the first time in Nimbus II, a glider designed and built by himself. Holighaus came first twice and second

"Although the weather was not good enough to allow us to cover a threecorner point to point distance of 250 miles we can be satisfied with the results. The participants bore witness to their flying-talent," championship organiser Dr bought a couple of years ago for 28,000 Ernst Frowein of Freiburg commented. (Die Welt, 1 June 1971)

